

REMARKS

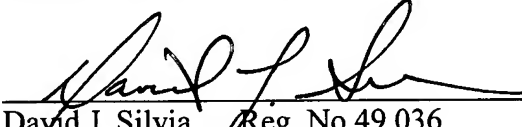
Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the preceding amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 7-19 are pending in the present application. By this amendment Applicants have cancelled claims 14-19 and therefore, claims 7-13 remain pending in this application. In the office action dated December 15, 2004, the Examiner indicated that claims 7-13 are allowed. Therefore, by virtue of the cancellation of claims 14-19, Applicants believe that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and an action acknowledging the same is respectfully requested. Applicants assert that no new matter has been added by this amendment.

If the Examiner believes that a telephonic or personal interview would resolve any remaining matters, the undersigned may be contacted at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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